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When Edison was 20 he went to Boston to work. One day he visited the

1847 } Massachusetts General Assembly.
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1867 } He learned it sometimes took hours to

take the votes of lawmakers. He invented a machine that would count votes fast, but could not sell it; they wanted time to change their vote as the voting was going on.

He invented an improved telegraph that could send 2 messages over

at the same time, he got discouraged
when no one would advance \$ & decided
to go to N.Y.

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Edison arrived in N.Y. city broke and
no place to stay. He found a friendly enquirer
who arranged to let him stay in a room
in the building where he worked.

The Co. (Gold Indicator Co.) used telegraph
to receive and give information
about price of gold.

One day the stock ticker broke
down that kept track of the price of
gold. Engineers tried for hours to repair

the damage: Edison went to Pres. & said
"Sir, I believe I can fix your machine." "Try it
then" the Pres. said.
Within a short time he had the instrument
working perfectly. The Pres. gave him a well-paying
job.

Edison soon invented an improved stock
ticker (the best ever). He received 40,000 for
his invention. He also received a contract
to build thousands of instruments.